

As I See It

'Julia'... the Look of a Winner

By PAT COSTA

Even before Diahann Carroll's new television show bowed last week, it was apparent that those of us who wished to do so were not to be allowed to just sit back and enjoy it.

Miss Carroll is the first Negro woman to have her own series. Sammy Davis owned series. Sammy Davis variety series for half a season and Bill Cosby costarred in "I Spy" for several years. No one suggested that Davis' show should have been anything other than what it was—a variety show that differed from a dozen others only in that it utilized more Negro talent than usual. Even Cosby was allowed to play his racket-wielding superspy with relatively little static from on-lookers of both races.

But let Miss Carroll make known her intentions to do light comedy once a week and the bricks start flying.

Among the complaints: Julia—a glamorous widow who supports herself by nursing—is not representative of present day black women. Who said she should be? Television heroines, from Lassie to Phyllis Diller, are as traditionally unrepresentative of their real life counterparts as they can be.

Complaint two: Fraternization between the Negro woman and her white housewife neighbor came too fast to be real. That's hard to answer seeing that the instances of proximity of the black housewife to the white housewife are so rare in real life.

Complaint three: Initial discrimination by interviewer as she applied for job was eradicated too easily by employer who even made "acceptable" jokes about her color. Granted. But certainly there must be more than one of Mr. Nolan's kindly doctors in this harsh world.

Complaint four: Julia makes note of the fact that she must get the job before they can afford a telephone, yet the furnishings of the apartment and the building itself must be classified as luxury. Legitimate complaint. And as soon as the characters played by Ball and Marlo Thomas revert to early Salvation Army decor as befits their penurious selves, we shall hope that Julia shall too.

The gratuitous slurs cast aside, "Julia" has the look of a winner. The youngsters are completely engaging. Lloyd Nolan's brand of humor is refreshing and Miss Carroll is a heroine's heroine, lovely, intelligent and not overly demure.

As the star of a situation comedy she is not required to bring her viewers any profound messages on the race situation or any thing else. Should she care to drop a hint now and then as to how things really are or how things might be, she just might find she has a receptive audience. Certainly she will be an inspiration to Negro youngsters looking for an idol.

Movies

Italy Bishops Relax Film Rating

Rome — (RNS) — The Italian Catholic hierarchy has issued new guidelines for the classification of motion pictures which eliminates a "condemned" category.

In a letter formulated at the meeting of the Council of the Italian Bishops' Conference here, the members of the hierarchy cited the increased maturity of contemporary youth as one of their principal reasons for the action. The bishops admitted that there are many films which youth could be allowed to see today which would have been banned 20 years ago.

However, in issuing the new classifications, the bishops also expressed agitation at the flow of sex and violence in today's motion pictures.

The previous classifications for motion pictures were: films for all, films for all with reservations, films for adults, films for mature adults, films for adults with reservations, films advised against, and films banned for all.

The new classifications are: films for all, films for view-

Pope's Gift Wasted

Bombay, India — (NC) — Sixty trucks donated by Pope Paul VI in July, 1968, to help rush food grains to the interior are rotting on the docks from the effects of the Indian monsoons. They never have been used. Signs of heavy damage, dock workers claim, result from accidents arranged to facilitate the disposal of the trucks as scrap.

TV Movie Ratings

Friday, Sept. 27 thru Thursday, Oct. 3

Ratings are those given by the former Legion of Decency, now the National Catholic Office for Motion Pictures, when films were originally shown. A-1: morally unobjectionable for general patronage; A-2: morally unobjectionable for adults and adolescents; A-3: morally unobjectionable for adults; A-4: morally unobjectionable for adults, with reservations; B: morally objectionable in part for all; C: condemned. No Rating: film has not been reviewed by the National Catholic Office for Motion Pictures (formerly the Legion of Decency). N.B. Before A-3 classification was established, A-2 indicated morally unobjectionable for adults.

Movie listings supplied through the courtesy of TV Guide Magazine

Friday, Sept. 27

Time	Channel	Movie	Rating
4:00 p.m.	8	Helen of Troy	A-2
9:00 p.m.	10	Two Weeks in Another Town	B
11:30 p.m.	10	Monte Carlo Story	A-2
11:30 p.m.	13	The Bachelor Party	B

Saturday, Sept. 28

Time	Channel	Movie	Rating
6:00 p.m.	10	Untamed Frontier	A-2
9:00 p.m.	8	The Train	A-1
11:00 p.m.	10	Dolly Sisters	B
11:15 p.m.	13	The Roots of Heaven	A-3
11:45 p.m.	8	Time Out For Love	B

Sunday, Sept. 29

Time	Channel	Movie	Rating
2:00 p.m.	13	The Story of San Michelle	Not Listed
4:00 p.m.	13	Who's Got the Action	A-3
5:00 p.m.	8	Prince of Players	A-2
9:00 p.m.	13	Come Blow Your Horn	A-3
11:30 p.m.	13	Come Blow Your Horn	A-3
11:30 p.m.	13	Crime School	A-1

Monday, Sept. 30

Time	Channel	Movie	Rating
4:00 p.m.	8	A Man Called Peter	A-1
9:00 p.m.	8	How to Murder Your Wife	A-3

Tuesday, Oct. 1

Time	Channel	Movie	Rating
4:00 p.m.	8	Kind Hearts and Coronets	B
9:00 p.m.	8	A Man Could Get Killed	A-2
11:30 p.m.	13	Breakfast in Bed	Not Listed

Wednesday, Oct. 2


Time	Channel	Movie	Rating
4:30 p.m.	13	Dark Corner	A-2
9:00 p.m.	13	Five Miles to Midnight	A-3
11:30 p.m.	13	Ten Days to Tulsa	A-1

Thursday, Oct. 3

Time	Channel	Movie	Rating
4:30 p.m.	8	The Ghost and Mrs. Muir	B
9:30 p.m.	10	The Night of the Iguana	A-4
11:30 p.m.	13	Three on a Spree	A-3

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Work from Within Dean Tells Youth

"Work within the Establishment to change the Establishment."

The advice was given to high school leaders by Charles Welch, dean of students at Rochester Institute of Technology.

Weren't his words intended for college students, rather than high schoolers? they wondered.

Not at all, said Welch. Changes in the educational system will have to take root at the high school level, and furthermore:

"You must help create an atmosphere of active participation, so that a clique of students don't run the school."

"A good leader influences his peer group."

The RIT dean, who formerly, for five years, was dean of men at the State University College at Brockport, addressed a group of high school students at the Agnes high schools, Rochester, and Mt. Carmel High School, closed with a celebration.

Participants met in small groups to try to apply what they had heard to situations in their own schools. Discussions were led by Father Lawrence Murphy, principal-director at Beckel Hall; Father Philip Lioi, assistant pastor at Guardian Angels; Father Bernard and Sister Sharon Marie, moderators of Student Council at Mt. Carmel High School; Sister Theresa Daniel, assistant director at the Newman chapel at RIT. Also James Perona, guidance counselor at Edison Technical High School; Sister Mary John, public relations director for the Sisters of St. Joseph; Sister M. Josanna, principal at St. Agnes; and Thomas Becket, of St. Agnes High School.

A film, "The Church in the World," was followed by small group discussions. The emphasis was on carrying student influence into the walls of the local high schools. The afternoon was celebrated with a Mass.

UR Band Day Features 3

Three top-rated high school marching bands, Kendall, Aquinas and Bishop Kearney, will join the University of Rochester marching band at Fawcett Stadium in the second annual UR "Band Day."

The four bands will perform at the Rochester-Hamilton football opener, which begins at 2 p.m. The program will be under the direction of UR band director Albert Tevels.

Kendall, directed by Dick Robinson, finished second in the recent New York State Fair competition. Kendall's Jane Harbenbrook was first among drum majorettes, and the Kendall twirlers and color guard finished fourth. The band appeared in the Canadian Exhibition in Toronto last summer.

Aquinas, under the direction of Nick Cattat, finished third at the State Fair. The Little Irish color guard won the state title and later finished fourth in national competition at New Orleans. Aquinas is defending champion in the Gorham Pageant of Bands.

Hey, Mrs. Diaz

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Noodle

Catholic Press Features Denver — There are worse things than going through life being called "the noodle priest." Like starving to death. So the Rev. John Romaniello, M.M., doesn't mind all the puns about his "using his noodle" to combat hunger, as long as his noodle-making machines keep going.

Father Romaniello, 68-year-old director of Catholic Relief Services in Hong Kong, is on a cross-country tour of the U.S. and Canada, doing anything he can to get more support for his noodle apostolate.


On leave from the Marjorie Knoll order to work for Catholic Relief Services, Father Romaniello has spent most of his priestly life in China, but it was only 10 years ago that he became the "noodle priest."

The U.S. is sending millions of pounds of surplus flour to aid refugees from Communist China who were flooding into Hong Kong at the rate of 100,000 a year. One day or two after his arrival there as CRS director, Father Romaniello looked on in astonishment as he watched a wife hand over a five-pound bag of flour to a grocer in exchange for a one-pound bag of noodles. He quickly learned that flour — despite the good intentions of the U.S. — was useless to the refugees, who had neither the time nor the equipment to convert it into anything edible.

Father Romaniello's next stop was the hut of a noodle maker, where he studied the operation of an old wooden hand-cranked contraption.

"When I left there I knew that I was going into the noodle business," the priest remarked. "It was the first time I'd ever seen a noodle machine, but I knew we could make a better one."

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Books

'Kennedy a Nation'

New York — (RNS) — The first book on Sirhan Bishara Sirhan and the factors which led to the assassination of Sen. Robert Kennedy last June will be published soon, and it is bound to create a storm of controversy.

Dr. M. Mehdi, secretary general of the Action Committee on American-Arab Relations, announced publication by New World Press of his new book called "Kennedy and Sirhan Why?"

The book, to be released Los Angeles, where the assassination occurred on June 5, deals with the psycho-social and political forces which allegedly drove Sirhan B. Sirhan of Jerusalem to kill the New York senator and aspirant for the Democratic party's presidential nomination.

The author claims that Sirhan, an Arab, will not receive a fair trial in Los Angeles and he is first correctly understood and adjudged by the American public at large. He maintains that the prospective juror "whoever they are and where they might be, are already prejudiced in favor of Robert Kennedy" about whose wife, Ethel and family they are aware, the other hand, he continues these jurors know nothing about Sirhan, his life "and the circumstances which made him a refugee, destroyed his life; forced him to do what he did."

Recalling that Sirhan's book carried the notation "J 5th," Dr. Mehdi holds that date is associated with eve in the Middle East a year before he maintains that on J 5, 1967, Israel launched its "prize attack" against "Sirhan people" — a military victim "which was achieved with Robert Johnson's endorsement; Robert Kennedy's support." "I was a factor in Sirhan's decision," Dr. Mehdi claims.

Dr. Mehdi asserts that Sirhan "deprived" President John who was said to have been "real target." However, Sirhan was unable to "get target," he decided to try "his apparent" and Robert Kennedy held that title, he said.

The author denies any action or insinuation that Sirhan was insane.

While saying that Sirhan act of assassination was legal," he argues that Sen. Kennedy's call to send 50 jets Israel which then might more Arab territory and more of Sirhan's people, "immoral."

Dr. Mehdi feels that Sirhan act was immoral only in sense of the decision of 1949 President Harry S. Truman drop the first atomic bomb Hiroshima, if President J.

VISIT TO ISTANBUL

Istanbul — (RNS) — Metropolitan Nicosim of Leningrad, Negoro, director of Foreign Affairs for the Russian Orthodox Church, will visit Ecumenical Patriarch Athenagoras, a mutual leader of Eastern Orthodoxy, the Ecumenical Patriarchate announced here.

One Million in Food

Montevideo, Uruguay — (RNS) — Catholic Charities of Uruguay reports that Catholic Relief Service of the United States chartered one million dollars worth of foodstuffs through 2,000 distribution centers in 1968.